

In the strongest possible terms, I would respectfully request that the FCC reject petition 04-160 from the National Association of Broadcasters seeking to limit the content of satellite radio transmissions.

I can see absolutely no good that could come to the public by limiting the amount of useful information available to them. Certainly no current broadcaster provides the detailed traffic and weather information available from satellite radio, and I cannot see how being sucked into an avoidable traffic jams due to NAB's non-competitive stance benefits anyone.

It seems to me that an effort by our Oregonian newspaper to prohibit local distribution of the Washington Post because the Oregonian does indeed provide limited coverage of Washington events would be both analogous and ridiculous. In fact, the NAB effort to limit the lawful distribution of public information seems totally self-centered and vaguely unconstitutional.

I strongly urge rejection of this ill-conceived petition and the dangerous precedent its acceptance would set.

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